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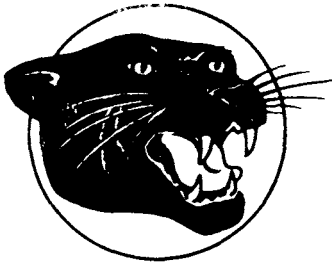
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# **Panther Sports News**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Steve Martin (Schaumburg), Eastern Illinois University offensive guard, has been chosen the Mid-Continent Conference offensive 'Player of the Week'.

Martin, a 6-1, 220 junior, is the first offensive player honored that is not a back or receiver.

Subbing for Bob Norris all year, Martin stepped into the starting lineup Saturday against Western Illinois when Norris was out with pneumonia.

He led the blocking for the Panthers sweep game which netted 189 yards rushing and 373 yards total offense. The previous week Martin had been the team's offensive 'lineman of the game' against Indiana State based on his efforts in the final quarter.

"Steve did a great job of blocking . . . we didn't nominate him for player of the week just because he was moved up to a starter," said Coach Chuck Dickerson. "He graded out the highest of any lineman.

"It's rare that an offensive lineman gets honored . . . particularly by the conference so we're pleased that Steve was recognized for the role he has played in our offensive plan."

Northern Iowa's Mark Salz, a defensive lineman, was chosen the defensive 'player of the week'.